21476. Adulteration of cocoa beans. U. S. v. 24 Bags, etc. (F. D. C. No. 36438. Sample No. 52825-L.)

LIBEL FILED: March 11, 1954, Eastern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: During July 1952, from Brazil.

PRODUCT: 24 100-pound bags and 3 40-pound bags of cocoa beans at Brooklyn, N.Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of dirt and insect excreta, and of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of moldy cocoa beans. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: April 13, 1954. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

### SIRUP

21477. Adulteration of sirup. U. S. v. 58 Cases \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 36737. Sample No. 88490-L.)

LIBEL FILED: May 6, 1954, District of Minnesota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: Approximately 3 years prior to May 1954, from Keokuk, Iowa.

PRODUCT: 58 cases, each containing 6 5-pound jars, of white sirup at Waseca, Minn.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of mold. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: June 24, 1954. A default decree was entered providing for the destruction of the product unless denatured for use as animal feed.

# SUGAR

21478. Alleged adulteration of sugar. U. S. v. DeBauge Bros., Inc., and Laurent J. DeBauge and Paul L. DeBauge. Pleas of not guilty. Tried to the court. Verdict of not guilty. (F. D. C. No. 34869. Sample No. 14909-L.)

INFORMATION FILED: August 12, 1953, District of Kansas, against DeBauge Bros., Inc., Emporia, Kans., Laurent J. DeBauge, president of the corporation, and Paul L. DeBauge, vice president.

ALLEGED VIOLATION: Betweeen the approximate dates of February 15 and March 17, 1952, the defendants received, at Emporia, Kans., a number of bags of powdered white sugar, which had been shipped from Ogden, Utah, and Nampa, Idaho.

Between the approximate dates of February 15 and November 20, 1952, while the sugar was being held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce, the defendants caused the sugar to be placed in a building that was accessible to rodents and caused the sugar to be exposed to contamination by rodents.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent urine; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the article was held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: The defendants having entered pleas of not guilty, the case came on for trial before the court without a jury on May 13, 1954. At the conclusion of the trial, the case was taken under advisement by the court; and, on May 25, 1954, the court returned a verdict of not guilty.

21479. Adulteration of sugar. U. S. v. 274 Bags \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 35514. Sample No. 64974-L.)

LIBEL FILED: September 25, 1953, District of Minnesota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 6, 1951, from Sidney, Mont.

PRODUCT: 274 100-pound bags of sugar at St. Paul, Minn., in possession of the Central Warehouse Co.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent urine; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the article had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: November 6, 1953. The Holly Sugar Corp., Colorado Springs, Colo., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for reprocessing under the supervision of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The product subsequently was re-refined.

# DAIRY PRODUCTS

# BUTTER

21480. Adulteration of butter. U. S. v. 14 Cubes (896 pounds) \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 35893. Sample No. 88486-L.)

LIBEL FILED: April 23, 1954, District of Minnesota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about March 29, 1954, by Armour Creameries, from Mitchell, S. Dak.

**PRODUCT:** 14 64-pound cubes of butter at Hopkins, Minn.

LABEL, IN PART: "Creamery Butter Manufactured by Parsons Creamery & Locker Co. Woonsocket, S. D."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402(b) (2), a product containing less than 80 percent by weight of milk fat had been substituted for butter.

DISPOSITION: July 9, 1954. Parsons Creamery & Locker Co., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for reworking under the supervision of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

#### CHEESE

21481. Adulteration of cheddar cheese. U. S. v. 25 Cases \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 36320. Sample No. 42822-L.)

LIBEL FILED: February 12, 1954, Northern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 24 and 31, 1953, from Portland, Oreg.

PRODUCT: 25 cases, each containing 20 ½-pound packages, of cheddar cheese at Sacramento, Calif.